



Grants Management: Training Staff to Manage the Grant

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Local Government Grants Conference

Maryland Governor's Grants Office

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National Grants Management Association

NGMA – www.ngma.org

- **Started in 1978 to provide training to those who manage grants**
- **Currently 600+ members**
- **Grants Management Specialists,
Grants Management Officers,
Grants Management Branch Chiefs**
- **Hail from 43 U.S. States & D.C., Canada,
Guam and the U.S. Virgin Islands**
- **-- Federal Agencies 40%
-- State Agencies 6%
-- Local Agencies 13%
-- Non-Profits 20%
-- Universities 6%
-- Accountants, Grants Consultants,
Attorneys and Companies (15%)**



NGMA's Mission – Empowering You With Knowledge

- **To improve and unify the grants delivery process by:**

...providing professional development programs

...providing opportunities for members to share experiences and expertise through networking

...providing publications on highly complex issues, such as:

- 1) Regulatory environment**
- 2) OMB Circulars**
- 3) Accounting and Auditing Issues**
- 4) Grant Budgeting**
- 5) Financial Management**
- 6) Ethics and Conflicts of Interest**



NGMA Publications

Critical Grants Mgmt Issues

- **NGMA Members manage billions of \$\$ in grant funds annually, requiring them to have a broad understanding of highly complex issues**
- **NGMA Offers:**
 - 1) **Grants Management Journal** – Bi-annual peer-reviewed in-depth articles
 - 2) **Grants Management News Brief** – Feature articles on current statutory requirements audit resolutions, governmental policies and procedures
 - 3) **Who's Who in Grants Management** – Comprehensive membership directory



NGMA Training Events



The Grant Cycle

Advancing Grants Management Performance

26th ANNUAL GRANTS MANAGEMENT TRAINING CONFERENCE

May 3-4, 2005 -- Washington DC

- **400+ Attendees**
- **19 Sessions Over Two Days**
- **OMB Circular Update**
- **Best Practices in Grants Management**



NGMA Training Events

Luncheon Training Sessions on
Grants Management Issues
Maggiano's Little Italy Restaurant
Washington, DC

- **60-80+ Attendees**
- **January 13, 2005:**
"Maximizing State Dollars at the State Level"
- **February, March, May, June and July 2005**



NGMA Initiative 2005 & 2006

Grants Management Certification

(In Development)

- **Certified Grants Management Administrator**
Certified Grants Management Specialist
Certified Grants Management Professional
- To develop grants management standards at Federal, State, Local, Non-Profit Levels
- To utilize standards as **Body of Knowledge** for the grants management community
- To develop publications and courses to deliver the **Body of Knowledge**
- To create and administer examination for the certification program



Certification Steps 2005

1. **General Survey of Grants Management Community**
2. **Establishing of Foundation to Administer Program**
3. **Gathering and Development of Grants Management Standards**
4. **Beta Testing of Standards**

Certification Steps 2006

1. **Final Testing of Standards**
2. **Development of Publications & Courses**
3. **Beta Testing of Exam Material**



NGMA MEMBERS – Empowered With Knowledge

- **Annual Membership - \$75.00**
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